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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### MALTA TALKS

THE latest negotiations between the United Kingdom Government and Malta have ended, but the outcome is not known.

It is, however, hoped that both parties have reached an amicable agreement.

The main reason for the Maltese Premier's visit to Britain was to discuss the amount of the United Kingdom's contribution to the Malta budget which is currently running at over six million pounds a year.

Other matters for consideration were employment prospects in the island and the climate for industrialisation.

Undoubtedly, too, there must have been a full scale review of constitutional matters in the light of the Malta Assembly resolution of December last year, which still remains on record. This was the resolution threatening to sever Malta's ties with the United Kingdom.

### Resolution

THE resolution claimed that Britain had broken faith with Malta on the implementation of the 1955 agreement on the future of the Malta dockyard.

The view of Her Majesty's Government was that the agreement was not a guarantee of alternative employment for workers losing their jobs at the dockyard as a result of defence cuts, but rather a declaration on the economic objectives by the Maltese Government and Opposition, as well as by Britain.

The resolution was passed less than two months after the London talks on the constitutional aspects of the proposed integration of Malta with the United Kingdom so it must be assumed that Mr Mintoff's blustering at the time was nothing more than a political manoeuvre to force Britain's hand.

### Assurance

THE Colonial Secretary, Mr Lennox-Boyd, undoubtedly pressed for an assurance that the Maltese Government really desires to strengthen the island's link with the United Kingdom, and that they understand that the British Government cannot guarantee to find a complete solution to the problem of unemployment when the dockyard, the main source of employment, finally closes in three years' time.

The British Government is already providing substantial capital development in order to create conditions favouring the introduction of new industry. But it is for the Maltese Government and the people to work out a long-term development plan, and to make the best possible use of their own resources.

# LENNOX-BOYD PRAISES HK

## 'Splendid Work' Done By Govt For Refugees

London, Mar. 20.

Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, the Colonial Secretary, today paid tribute to the "splendid work" done by the Hongkong Government in resettling refugees.

He was answering a question in the House of Commons about a speech to the Hong Kong Legislative Council on December 18, 1957, by the former governor, Sir Alexander Grantham.

### Unionists Returned In Belfast

Belfast, Mar. 21.

Lord Brookeborough's Unionist Government was returned to power in Northern Ireland for another five years in election results announced early today.

The Unionists—who support Northern Ireland's connection with the United Kingdom—had won 28 of the first 32 seats declared in the 52-member House of Commons.

When voting took place in the general election yesterday, 25 Unionists and two Nationalists had already been returned unopposed.

### MAJORITY

The first four results declared early today gave the Unionists three more seats and the necessary clear majority in the House of Commons.

Lord Brookeborough, the 68-year-old Prime Minister, led his party into the election campaign with victory later certain.

The last election, in 1953, gave the Unionists 38 of the 52 seats in the Commons.

The Party had to provide the speaker and deputy speaker from its ranks, but its overall majority was later eroded in 24 because two Republican members refused to take their seats.

Northern Ireland is constitutionally part of the United Kingdom, returning 12 members to the House of Commons in London as well as having its own two-chamber legislature.

### Hammarskjöld Off To Russia

New York, Mar. 21.

Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations Secretary-General, leaves here by air today for his postponed "working visit" to Moscow.

He will stay in Stockholm for one day and leave for the Russian capital on Sunday.

It is expected that the deadlocked disarmament problem and the prospects for a summit conference later this year will figure prominently in his Moscow discussions with Soviet leaders.

From Moscow he will go to London for a three-day official visit which is scheduled for March 31.—Reuter.

### Late Snows Blanket East Coast Of US

Boston, Mar. 20.

A storm riding on gale winds dumped up to 20 inches of snow from Virginia to New England today with Spring only hours away. The storm paralysed the operations of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Winter's dying blast felled scores of power and telephone lines in the northeast, leaving thousands of homes without lights, heat or telephone service. It crippled transportation, closed hundreds of schools and caused flooding along the coast.

Electric transmission line failures caused by the snow, brought Pennsylvania Railroad operations almost to a standstill out of giant Pennsylvania Station in New York City.

Meanwhile, the scallop dragger "Carol and Estelle" with 11 men aboard broke down about 140 miles east of Cape Cod and wallowed helplessly in heavy seas.

### WIND GUST

Wind gusts of up to 70 miles an hour were predicted for that area. The Coast Guard cutter General Greene was dispatched to aid the dragger. The craft's radio failed and a broken man-of-war had knocked the engine out.

Winds blew a \$50,000 sloop into the rocks at Fort Schuyler in the Bronx, New York, and pounded it to pieces.

With Spring bowing in, the Weather Bureau rated the storm the worst this late in the year since the Palm Sunday blizzard on March 29, 1942. At least 10 persons died in accidents attributed to the storm.—United Press.

## THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF TAIWAN

Washington, Mar. 20.

United States officials believe that Chen Cheng, Vice-President of the Nationalist Chinese, would make a worthy successor to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek if anything happened to the Generalissimo, a senior state department official said in congressional testimony released today.

It was Mr Robert Robertson, Assistant-Secretary for the Far East, addressing a private meeting of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee recently. Mr Robertson added that US officials had done a great deal of thinking about what would happen to the Nationalists after Chiang.

### NO QUESTION

"If President Chiang would die tonight, in my opinion there is no question but that the present Vice-President, Chen Cheng, would become President," he said.

Mr Robertson also said there was not a shred of evidence that Chiang's son, Chiang Ching-kuo, was connected with anti-American rioting which broke out on Formosa, the Nationalist Island stronghold, last May. He declared that the son had political enemies who had spread some very irresponsible rumours about him.—Reuter.

### Airline Strike

Amsterdam, Mar. 20.

The strike of pilots of the KLM Royal Dutch Airlines ended today in its fourth day and work will be resumed tomorrow.

Included in the settlement terms was the return of two pilots, whom the company had fired for having circulated what it considered statements harmful to it. The pilots were their trade union spokesmen.—France-Press.

## AIRLINER SKIDS OFF RUNWAY

New York, Mar. 20. A Scandinavian Airlines four-engine DC-7 carrying 55 persons skidded off a runway at night while taking off in a snowstorm. No one was injured. Airport officials said the nose-wheel of the plane collapsed

before the plane left the ground. There was no fire and the plane suffered little damage.

The 43 passengers and ten crew members aboard the plane, which was bound for Copenhagen and other Scandinavian points, left through

## CONCERN OVER RIFT BETWEEN TAIWAN & JAPAN

By RALPH HARRIS

Washington, Mar. 21.

There were expressions of concern in Washington today over the Chinese Nationalist announcement from Taipei breaking off commercial relations with Japan in protest against the recently concluded private trade agreement between Japan and Chinese Communist interests.

United States Government officials, conscious of the fact that this is a matter affecting two close Allies, declined all comment.

But there was no disguising the distress with which the reports were received here.

### TO AVOID

The United States is anxious to avoid taking any public stand which would probably only annoy one side or the other.

Reports reaching here depict the Japanese Government as having been badly shaken by the Chinese Nationalist action.

Some Washington observers expressed the view that the vigorous reaction of Taipei to the conclusion of the trade pact might persuade Tokyo to try to delay approval of the agreement. The same observers said it might be that the strength of the Chinese Nationalist disapproval had not been thoroughly appreciated in Japan in the first place and that possible misunderstanding might now be removed.

As seen here, the Nationalists regard many of the terms of the private trade agreement, such as the provision for an exchange of trade missions, as implying some sort of recognition by Japan of the Chinese Communist regime.

### DRASTIC ACTION

The Chinese Nationalists obviously hoped, by its drastic action, to force the Japanese Government to withhold approval from the agreement privately made with Peking.

A New York Times despatch from Tokyo said that disruption of Japan's trade with Taiwan cost one big Japanese company a pending \$500,000 contract for electric generator parts.

"Private commercial setbacks of this sort, when they are a result of government policy, can have important political repercussions here, as they may affect the degree of support given the Government by big business interests," the despatch commented.

Apart from direct trade between Japan and Formosa, Japan's commercial interests with other parts of Asia, where there are large Chinese communities, could be affected by a boycott in sympathy with the Nationalists.—Reuter.

## MYSTERY MICROBE

Houston, Mar. 20.

A mystery microbe, resistant to all known anti-biotics, has been responsible for the deaths of 25 American babies over the last two months. It was disclosed here today. Sixteen of the babies died in hospitals in Houston, the other nine in Dallas, also in Texas.

During the month of February alone, 81 babies and 21 mothers have been victims of this bacteriological infection, which is also said to be responsible for this winter's increase in the number of cases of pneumonia in America.—France-Press.

## Lords Blast Practice Of Flying Flags Of Convenience

London, Mar. 20.

Three members of Britain's House of Lords today denounced the current merchant marine practice of flying "flags of convenience."

Lord Winstone, opening a debate on Britain's merchant marine in the Upper House of the nation's Parliament, said such flags were a "menacing problem and the most disturbing maritime problem in the post-war years."

### 50 PER CENT

He noted that "Liberia is now the fourth maritime country in the world and mammoth super-tankers are operating under her flag" as a result.

"About 50 per cent of these ships flying flags of convenience are American," he said. "The Americans set out to save operating costs and my word but they do it."

Lord Winstone warned that "British shipping cannot survive against this tax-free operations." Viscount Runciman joined Winstone, labelling flags of convenience "the most important single question that confronts certainly the British mercantile marine and probably the mercantile marine of all the nations of the world."

### IN WAR-TIME

Viscount Simon said that ships flying flags of convenience would be difficult to requisition for the free world in time of war. "I think this is a very serious consideration, particularly in the matter of tankers when we consider that in such conditions the supply of oil would be one of our most vital needs."

Lord Winstone also noted that rising costs kept British shipbuilders from getting as many ships down the way as previously. He noted that Japan led the world in new construction and had tripled her output in the past few years.—United Press.

## CHINATOWN LEADER IN NY ORDERED TO PRISON

New York, Mar. 20.

Sing Kee, World War One hero and civic leader of New York's Chinatown, was ordered today to surrender at once to begin a two and one-half year prison term for helping Chinese to enter the United States illegally.

Kee's lawyer, Allen Sum, appeared before Federal Judge Richard H. Levett to request that his client be given until Monday to surrender. He explained that he needed the time to get his affairs in shape, to sell property and to make a will.

### Been Hanging

However, Judge Levett said that Kee had already had enough time to take care of those things.

"This case has been hanging for more than a year," Levett said. "I don't see why your client was caught off guard." Kee, a 63-year-old restaurant owner who was awarded the United States Distinguished Service Cross for bravery, was convicted on February 1957, and was given the prison sentence in addition to a \$6,000 fine.

### Under Appeal

The case has been under appeal since then. The Court of Appeals upheld the trial court and the US Supreme Court recently refused to review the case. Kee was ordered yesterday to surrender today.

He was convicted of assisting in the preparation of immigration papers in which Chinese nationals fraudulently claimed parts of US citizenship, thus enabling them to enter the United States. Kee was charged with obtaining \$24,000 in two years by charging the Chinese from \$200 to \$400 each.

He has been under \$10,000 bail since his conviction.—United Press.

## Foreign Asians Will Not Evacuate Sumatra Yet

Djakarta, Mar. 20.

SEVERAL Asian diplomats indicated today they had no plans to evacuate their nationals from the troubled Sumatran areas.

Indian, Pakistan and Ceylonese sources said the situation was being watched, but so far there was nothing to show the position of their nationals was insecure.

India is estimated to have about 20,000 nationals living in Indonesia.

Eight thousand are believed to be living in Medan, the North Sumatran capital, where loyalist Government troops claimed victory over insurgent forces.

A small number of Indians are also living in Menado, the

capital of the rebel-held North Celebes which is supporting Central Sumatra's defiant "Revolutionary Government of Indonesia."

Indian diplomatic sources said in Djakarta "many of our nationals are domiciled in Indonesia for a long time and are well established in the community and their position probably is different from other foreigners."

The sources said the Indian Embassy would help if any request was received from its nationals, but this was not expected and there was no formal evacuation plan.

The Pakistan Embassy spokesman said if the situation should worsen the Embassy would make necessary arrangements to evacuate its nationals if they wished.

He said there were difficulties in contacting Pakistani nationals in some so far-flung regions but there was no request from them to leave the country.

Pakistanis numbering several thousands throughout Indonesia are chiefly centred in Medan with a few in Central Sumatra.

It was understood the Ceylonese authorities here were keeping in touch with the Indonesian Government about the position of Ceylonese nationals.

Ceylonese in Indonesia number about 250, but most of these live in Java.—Reuter.

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# TERRORISM IN HAVANA IS INCREASED

## I SACRIFICED LOVE FOR COUNTRY, SAYS SHAH

Teheran, Mar. 21.  
THE Shah of Iran told his people in a deeply touching nationwide radio broadcast today that he sacrificed his love for his country.

The 35-year-old Monarch left no doubt that he still loved divorced Queen Soraya. He reported to the nation "The future of the country and the hereditary monarchy forced a parting with my dear spouse."

The Shah, in a Persian New Year Day State of the Nation broadcast, spoke in a subdued, melancholy voice. He sighed during the passage on Soraya and observers said tears shone in his eyes.

"I am sorry not to be able to personally participate in the rejoicing of my nation on this festive occasion," the Shah said. "In order to insure the future of the country and to safeguard the hereditary monarchy I was constrained to part with my dear spouse who, during difficult times in the past seven years, ever shared my sorrows and was always my faithful companion."

"For the first day of my reign I pledged myself and it has been my practice to forget myself in the interests of the state. And this latter decision of mine, one of the most difficult I have ever made, was specifically in the interests of my country," he added.—United Press.



SHAH

## SAN MARINO'S FINANCIAL PLIGHT: PLEA FOR AID FROM U.S. ITALY

San Marino, Mar. 20.  
The new anti-Communist leadership of this postage stamp republic looked to the United States and Italy today for aid in saving their five-month-old regime from bankruptcy.

Foreign Secretary Federico Bigli told Italian newsmen yesterday that what this country needs is a "little Marshall Plan" to meet the deficit expected as a result of promised pay raises and increased social security benefits.

The deficit, piled on top of the existing Marinian public debt of \$1,015,537.71, presents a financial burden too great to be met by San Marino's traditional resources—tourist spending and the sale of stamps. San Marino's financial plight is mainly the result of Communist efforts during the past 13 years to transform this 24-square-mile country into a "model" Red republic.

The new Administration hopes to prove the superiority of democracy by cleaning up the mess.

Bigli told the Ansa news agency that, while most European countries benefitted from the Marshall Plan during the late 40s and early 50s, San Marino missed the boat.

"San Marino is still suffering from war damages for which no one has paid," he said. This was a reference to the Allied air raid which killed 224 persons and caused extensive damage at the time when San Marino was part of Germany's Gothic Defence Line. This country is trying to collect \$7,000,000 in reparations from England.—United Press.

## A Demand For Next Labour Govt To Halt Nuclear Arms

London, Mar. 20.  
The leftwing Labour group calling itself "Victory for Socialism" tonight demanded that the next Labour government should stop manufacturing hydrogen weapons and forbid their use from British territory.

In a statement of aims, the group, which includes nine Labour members of Parliament, said the next Labour government should also call a "summit" conference to negotiate on Labour's peace proposals. It should be prepared to negotiate with Russia even if America rejected Britain's ideas as a basis for negotiations.

The group, which would like Britain alone to end bomb manufacture, and oppose missile bases here, was recently summoned before the official Labour Party chiefs to give assurances it was not attempting to create a party within a party.

The group leaders apparently gave fairly specific assurances, and no disciplinary action was initiated against them. But the group's views on the bomb remain in conflict with the official Labour line—which is against Britain alone ending H-bomb manufacture, and on bases says only those should not be set up ahead of "summit" talks.—Chimes Mail Special.

## Blackout At Opening Of New Hilton Hotel

Havana, Mar. 20.  
Rebels increased the pace of their terrorism campaign in the Havana area today to coincide with the opening of the swank Havana Hilton Hotel.

Large portions of the city were blacked out last night at about the time of the arrival of some 300 notables, including stage and screen personalities, guests of the hotel magnate, Conrad Hilton.

The hotel itself was not affected, however, by the blackout as it has its own power plant. The blackout traced to two bomb explosions in the regular power plant—affected suburban Vedado, Miramar and Marianao, as well as the nearby cities of Regla and Guanabacoa.

Emergency repairs restored power in most localities in a matter of minutes but it was estimated that permanent repairs would take at least a day.

### ARSON

In another terrorist act in greater Havana, unidentified persons burned out a three-storey warehouse owned by Importaciones Zayden, a discount house allegedly owned by a high-ranking Army officer.

Delayed reports from Santiago de Cuba said five unidentified youths, armed with pistols, raided a printing shop of the nominally independent Prensa Universal and destroyed a rotary press with hand grenades. The youths escaped in a car.

Reports from Camaguey said a young Army pilot, 1st Lt. Julio Dantone, died when his parachute failed to open after he bailed out of a jet trainer plane over the nearby city of Moron.

The plane, whose engine failed for unknown reasons, crashed in a nearby field and burned completely. Dantone's body hit the roof of a private residence.—United Press.

## GIFT OF A HOLY SYMBOL OF ISLAM

Amman, Mar. 20.  
The Jordanian government today announced the receipt from the Saudi Arabian government of a stone which formed part of the roof of the vault over the Kaabah—the Black Stone of Mecca.

It is one of the holiest symbols of the Islamic world.

The gift of stone, which will be exhibited in museums in Jerusalem and Amman, is the first instance of such an action in more than 400 years.

The yellow and white stone is 7.2 inches long, 3.6 inches wide and 1.6 inches thick.—United Press.

## Far East Visit

Washington, Mar. 20.  
Air Force Vice Chief of Staff Curtis E. LeMay will fly to the Far East for the 21st anniversary of the Royal New Zealand Air Force on March 29, the Air Force announced today. Mrs. LeMay will accompany him. Their visit is at the invitation of the New Zealand government. The General will represent the U.S. Air Force at the ceremonies.—United Press.

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## CABLE BRIEFS

Alnwick, Mar. 20. John Swire, 27-year-old labourer, was fined for a year yesterday for stealing his mother's pet parakeets and selling them for \$8.40 for beer money.—United Press.

Milwaukee, Mar. 20. Gary Kneuppel, 3, yesterday rescued a six-year-old girl who was stuck knee-deep in mud in a field. The firemen had to pull out Gary.—United Press.

Raleigh, Mar. 20. Judge Albert Doub acquitted a woman charged with driving after a witness testified the defendant was "as sober as a judge."—United Press.

Seoul, Mar. 20. Officers of the US 8th Army's Criminal Investigation Detachment today put every available man to work trying to catch the thief who stole the Detachment's lie detector.—United Press.

Broadbentbury, Mar. 20. Twelve-year-old John Freeman reigned today as the local cooking champion. He defeated in an open contest 16 other persons including his 10-year-old sister.—United Press.

Manila, Mar. 21. A comment in a log book which police placed at a display of their exhibits on crime and criminals read: "I was a lousy burglar before, but after looking at your posters, you bet I'll be a better one."—United Press.

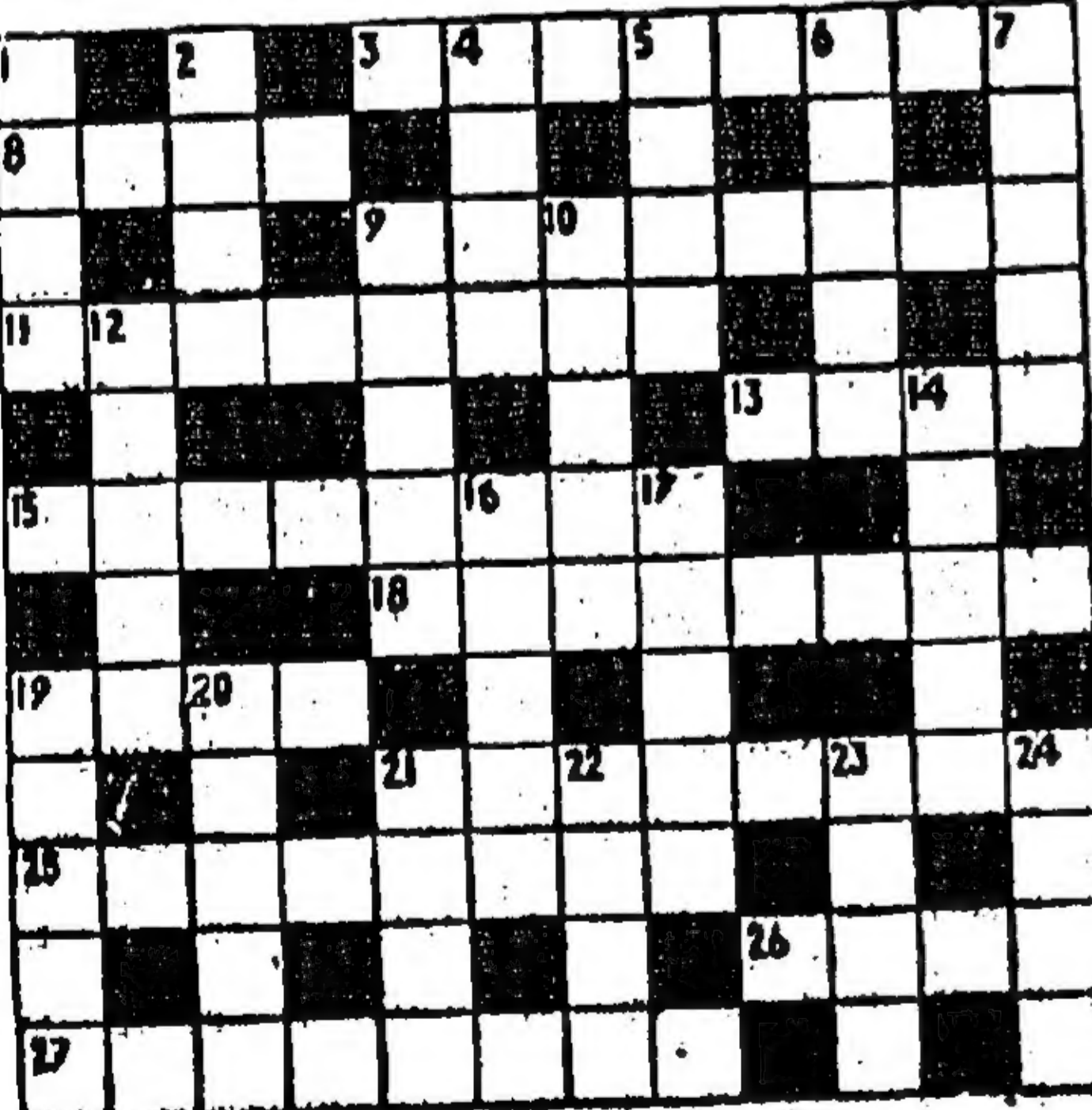
## RAMON MAGSAYSAY SPEAKS AGAIN

Arar, Mar. 20. The voice of the late President Ramon Magsaysay was heard today over the University of Michigan Radio in a 30-minute radio programme dramatizing the Philippines' achievement of independence. Tape recordings of Magsaysay's speeches were used. The radio programme was timed to coincide with the anniversary of his death a year ago this week. Sylvia S. Conn, of Parry City, The Philippines, assisted in preparing the programme. She is a teaching fellow in the University's English Department.—United Press.

## GENGHIS KHAN'S BIRTHPLACE FOUND, SAYS MOSCOW

London, Mar. 20. SOVIET scientists have found the birthplace of Genghis Khan, the famous Mongolian warrior, Moscow Radio reported today. In a broadcast heard here, the Radio said scientists have found ancient documents proving that the famous war leader was born at Delun Bldok in Trans-Valka. An expedition led by Sergei Kiselev, an associate member of the USSR Academy of Sciences found the site of the village on the Mongolian-Soviet frontier. It is now just a bare patch of earth, but numerous relics of Genghis Khan are found in the area, the broadcast said.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Cut-glass bottle (8).
  - 2 Little devil (4).
  - 3 Prudent (6).
  - 4 White land (8).
  - 5 To round and round (4).
  - 6 Dreamy piece of music (8).
  - 7 Fee for a servant (6).
  - 8 Very proper (4).
  - 9 He holds things done (4, 4).
  - 10 Did it again (8).
  - 11 Write your name (4).
  - 12 Leading up the garden path (8).
- DOWN**
- 1 It's a record (4).
  - 2 Toss a coin? (4).
  - 3 The Emerald Isle (4).
  - 4 Caves (4).
  - 5 Trample down (6).
  - 6 Peevish (6).
  - 7 Rude objections (6).
  - 8 Showy (6).
  - 9 Small (6).
  - 10 Dismal (6).
  - 11 Dockyard job, probably (4).
  - 12 Gaye who's better (6).
  - 13 Skinned (6).
  - 14 Excite to action (6).
  - 15 Tidy (4).
  - 16 Blood vessel (4).
  - 17 Wading bird (4).
  - 18 Simply ages! (4).

**THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Fortified, 4 Picnic, 7 Elongate, 8 Larks, 9 France, 11 Springs, 12 Magenta, 13 Rebels, 14 Noddy, 15 Imagined, 20 Datum, 21 Madman. Down: 1 First, 2 Crib, 3 Dearest, 4 Peeler, 5 Entrance, 6 Tissue, 10 Argument, 11 Yardarm, 12 Minded, 14 Nudism, 16 Blind, 17 Scound.

## "Hostile Military Concentrations"

## Glaring Threat, Warns Nasser

## Foreign Armies Massed On Syrian Border

Cairo, Mar. 20. Gamal Abdel Nasser, President of the United Arab Republic, warned tonight that "hostile military concentrations" were massed along the borders of the Syrian province.

Nasser, addressing a crowd of more than 500 persons in Cairo's Republic Square, said, "It is clear there is a glaring threat against the United Arab Republic."

"Behind the borders, there are several attempts, to divide us internally, and separate the army from the people," he said.

The President, addressing a mass rally for the first time since his return from a three-week visit to Syria, said, "While in Syria I was able to see the movements of foreign armies along the Syrian borders."

He then sharply attacked the leaders of Iraq and Jordan, who he said had rejected his efforts to establish "peaceful co-existence" between the U.A.R. and the Iraqi-Jordanian Federation.

Nasser charged that the Hashemite rulers, dynasty Jordan, were hostile to the U.A.R. because of "their fear that the Arab people will derive from their privileges as reactionaries and imperialist agents."

"The very principles of our republic, socialist and cooperative principles," Nasser said, to the applause of the crowds.

Nasser stressed the need for the unity of the Arab countries. Speaking before a map showing the entire Arab world from the Euphrates to the Atlantic Ocean, Nasser said unity was the only way to "face up to the imperialists and Zionist expansionism victoriously."

The Arab nations had lost the Palestine war only because they were divided, he said. Nasser lashed out against the Baghdad Middle East defence pact, which he said had been devised as a way of "infiltrating" British influence into the Arab world.

He pledged that the U.A.R. would never join any pact that would give foreign influence free access into the Arab Republic. He said that Arab nationalism had become a popular force independent of leaders, including himself.—France-Press.

## THE 'CYST' WAS TWIN BROTHER

Genoa, Mar. 20. Doctors operating on a 40-year-old man, believed to be suffering from a cyst, today removed a 15 pound embryonic twin. The "twin" was a male, with irregularly developed limbs and long white hair. It was attached to the brother by an artery which kept it alive.

The man, whose name was kept secret, was in good health after the operation, which took place at the Duchessa Di Galliera Hospital here.—France-Press.

## New Oil Line

Teheran, Mar. 20. The Shah of Persia tonight opened a new 500-mile pipeline for refined oil products between here and the Abadan refinery. The pipeline, across mountains and salt desert, will result in big savings in transport costs by carrying oil products for domestic consumption in Teheran and North Persia.—Reuter.

## QUADS TAKE THE AIR



THERE was quite a crowd gathered recently around a house in London's Stepney district—for the 10-week Bennett quadruplets were taking the air. And most of the neighbours were seeing the quads for the first time. The quads behaved impeccably—displayed neither tears nor scowls while the neighbours rather round.—Express.

## Case Of The Kissing Civil Servant

London, Mar. 20. The Colonial Secretary, Alan Lennox-Boyd, indicated today that the Government contemplated no action at present in the case of an English civil servant who was dismissed on the charge that he kissed a Chinese worker.

Mr Lennox-Boyd was asked for a statement on the case in the House of Commons today. He dealt only with local Singapore proceedings in his written reply, which said:

"I am told on February 13 the Staff Committee of the Singapore City Council held Mr Skellie to be guilty of contravening the rules of conduct and discipline laid down for City Council employees, and recommended his dismissal from the service."

"On February 28 the Council confirmed the recommendation of the Staff Committee. I understand that an appeal to the City Council against this decision has been lodged on behalf of Mr Skellie by the City Council Senior Officers Association."—United Press.

## Germany To Make Weapons?

Bonn, Mar. 20. A West German Government spokesman today officially confirmed that Germany has asked NATO for permission to build some short range anti-tank weapons. It was revealed earlier today that Lauris Norstad, NATO Supreme Commander, had recommended that appeal be made in the 1954 Brussels treaty to allow West Germany to manufacture anti-tank missiles.—France-Press.

## Strike In Hollywood

## MUSICIANS DELAY SHOOTING IN FIVE STUDIOS

Hollywood, Mar. 20. PRODUCTION of musical motion pictures came to a halt today because of a musicians' strike against five major studios which also threatens dramatic movies. Lew Rosenbaum, board director of Musicians' Local 82, said four films at 20th Century-Fox, one at Paramount and another at MGM had been delayed until the strike was settled. "So far we're delayed at least six pictures," Mr Rosenbaum said. "We plan to continue the strike until the studios meet our terms."

The stars affected by the strike are Danny Kaye, scheduled to make "The Five Little Pigeons" and Debbie Reynolds in "The Day After Tomorrow." The strike involves more 2,500 musicians of the 14,000 members' local union.—United Press.

## Who'll Hit The Moon First?

## The Space Race: US General Is Optimistic

Cape Canaveral, Mar. 20. Maj-General Donald Yates, chief of the Air Force missile test base here, said today he expected the United States to beat Russia in the rocket-to-the-moon race. General Yates, whose test centre launched the two US satellites, said "I would not be surprised" if the United States hits the moon with a rocket before Russia.

"I'm American and reasonably optimistic," General Yates told 80 newsmen during the first major press tour of this \$400,000,000 base where US ballistic missiles and pilotless aircraft are tested. The tour had these other highlights: ● The Army displayed a new Jupiter-C rocket mounted in its test stand here, preparing for early launching of Explorer III earth satellite. It succeeded in launching America's third satellite, taking its place with the Navy Vanguard, the Army Explorer I and Russia's Sputnik. ● The Air Force showed a new Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile being groomed for an early test flight. It will be a short-range flight to test missile parts and will be the seventh Atlas launched.

## SPUTNIK III

Meanwhile, a report from Warsaw, said the Soviet Sputnik III will be sent around the moon and will then return to continue around an earth orbit. The Polish P.A.P. news agency said tonight that the third Soviet satellite would weigh between five and six tons. The launching rocket would be much bigger and more powerful than the rockets which shot up Sputnik I and Sputnik II, the agency said. It said "Sputnik III will be launched at a speed that will permit it to go around the earth, from which it will transmit the information recorded automatically during its cosmic voyage." The agency said the next Soviet satellite would be equipped with much more modern and more complex instruments, which would record numerous phenomena of interplanetary space. It said that newsmen in Moscow believed the new Sputnik would provide the greatest revelations obtained thus far in the field of space travel. In Albuquerque, New Mexico, the moonwatch team at Kirkland Air Force Base reported it had spotted all three of men's earth satellites passing overhead within an hour of each other early this morning. The first to be seen were the two parts of the newest satellite, the Vanguard launched by the Navy on Monday, with its attendant third-stage rocket. The second Russian Sputnik went over a few minutes later, and the first American satellite, Explorer I, after a further half-hour.—United Press, China Mail Special and France-Press.

## We Prefer Kimonos To The Sack

Washington, Mar. 20. Senator Richard B. Russell asked the Agriculture Department today if it was tempting Japanese girls with "new sack arrangements" in its clothing display at agricultural fairs.

The bachelor Democrat put the question to Gwynn Garnett, chief of the Foreign Agricultural Service, at an appropriations subcommittee hearing. Garnett assured Russell that the cotton clothing shown at the fairs in Japan to attract Japanese cotton buyers were "high class" items in Japanese style.

He said that the Japanese girls "have taken care of that (the new sack fashion). They don't like it."

"Then you show kimonos rather than the new French fashions?"

"That's right," answered Garnett.—United Press

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## DON IDDON'S DIARY

New York, N.Y.

# Gangster's girl (A MONROE LOOK) steps into the limelight

FOR the past few days a stunning beauty called Liz Renay has been stopping the pulses of a New York Grand Jury and making the public goggle-eyed.

She is in the gaudy tradition of the gangster's girl friend, but more beautiful than Hope Dare, who was mixed up with a shady gangster's lawyer, and harder-boiled than Virginia Hill, the girl friend of gangster "Bugsy" Siegel, the girl who scoffed at the Senate investigating committee and said: "I don't know nothing about no one."

Miss Renay, statuesque, with a 36-24-36 figure, speaks with more culture, but she is just as tough as Miss Hill, and may be shrewder. She popped out of obscurity just a week ago to become one of the best-known faces in America, more photographed at the moment than Marilyn Monroe, the Gabor sisters, or Ava Gardner.

Every day there have been crowds outside the Grand Jury room, although the sessions are held in secret. Every day Miss Renay has blocked traffic

posing for photographers, crossing and uncrossing her legs and swishing her figure.

What is Liz doing before the Grand Jury? She is being questioned as a possible important witness in the unsolved murder of Albert Anastasia, who was pumped full of bullets as he lolled in a mid-town barber's chair.

### Frank

MISS RENAY admits frankly that she numbers among her friends Anthony Coppola, the body-guard who failed to guard Anastasia, and Mickey Cohen, the West Coast gangster who has been the target for six assassination attempts in the past six years.

Says Liz: "I've always wanted the headlines, the spotlight, but as an actress or famous model, not like this. Still, I am on all the front pages and I want you

to know that my friends are very sweet persons. Mickey is a very dear friend, and Cappy (Coppola) is a very sweet person indeed who once proposed marriage to me."

I have been down to the Grand Jury room twice this week, and veteran court reporters, using the old phrase "This is where we came in," swear that the stage, the setting, the cast are almost identical with those of the late 1920's and early '30's. "Nothing has changed but the names."

Perhaps there is some special psychological link between the big depression of 26 years ago and the little depression of today.

The gangster's girl this time, however, seems more commanding. Miss Renay says: "Sure, I lent Mickey 10,000 dollars (\$3,500). What's 10,000 dollars? I lent him the dough because he was short of cash—squeezed."

And where did Liz get the money? "Oh, from friends

"I have some very nice friends, real sweet persons." Whether the investigators will be able to link Liz and her friends with the Anastasia killing is doubtful, but the case is titillating the public more than anything since the Hollywood v. Confidential magazine trial.

Miss Renay, about 32, has been around, and a local newspaper, the New York World Telegram, has gleefully announced that it was Liz who won their competition. "Which girl most resembles Marilyn Monroe?" four years ago.

Then Elizabeth was blonde, now she is a redhead. Tomorrow she may be a brunette.

Compared with Virginia Hill, the most fabulous of all the gang dolls, Liz has class. Virginia is out of the news now, with an ice-cold million dollars or two stacked away.

It was in her palatial Beverly Hills home that the mobster "Bugsy" Siegel was mown down in one of the most sensational killings in Hollywood. Virginia was known as the cash-and-carry girl of the syndicate.



VIRGINIA HILL, the girl friend of gangster "Bugsy" Siegel.

The new man from the U.S.S.R. looks like a prosperous American business man, and dresses like a prosperous Englishman. He speaks perfect English and is a youthful 55. When you go to see him he has no interpreter, no secretary, no recording machine. You are on your own.

### Puzzling

BOTH President Eisenhower and Mr. John Foster Dulles have been saying a great deal about a possible Summit meeting, but saying it in such a way that the public, very worried now about the recession, cannot grasp what is going on, if anything.

More and more the pronouncements of Mr. Eisenhower resemble the pronouncements of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald in his declining years.

"It seems to me—well, of course, on the other hand, unless you face the fact that it is up to us all to pull together, nevertheless much can be done, and as I see it, we are on our way, and there is nothing vitally wrong if we all keep our heads and our confidence and do the very best we can, bearing in mind the various factors. At least, that's how I see this thing. But I don't want any more of that now."

Does that answer your question—you from the New York Times and the Baltimore Sun, the Miami Herald and the Philadelphia Bulletin? Right. Next question, please.

### Social lion

ANOTHER, vastly different, personality has been sharing the big type with Miss Renay. Almost overnight the new Russian Ambassador to Washington, Mikhail Menshikov, has become one of the most popular men in the capital, and one of the most written-about personalities in the country. He has had more publicity, most of it favourable, than all the other envoys, including our own excellent representative, Sir Harold Caccia, put together.

He is the social lion of the season, roaring for Russia, winning friends and influencing people with flair and relish. I suspect that he is Krushchev's personal choice. For years the Russians have sent a procession of stene-faced men here—Gromyko, Zarubin, Novikov, and Fanyushkin. Only the explosive Vishinsky had magnetism, but his hands were bloody and his manner malevolent.

And where did Liz get the money? "Oh, from friends

I NEVER believed that every private carried a field-marshal's baton in his knapsack, but I am coming round to the theory that once in television, one might quite easily reach 10, Downing Street.

The conception of the amateur in politics has always had a strong appeal for me, especially when the amateur in question is myself.

I should very much like to be Prime Minister of England some day (indeed for several days); and most mornings as I lie in my bath I find myself wondering how, if I were to be called on to take over from Mr Macmillan, I would deal with the great questions of the hour.

In point of fact, there are few problems that I cannot solve as long as I stay under water.

Moreover I am able, when comfortably submerged up to my chin, to step right out of the bath—and, indeed, my skin—and project myself anywhere in the world.

One moment I am sluicing myself with the sponge,

AND IF I BECOME  
PREMIER I KNOW JUST  
WHAT I SHALL SAY  
TO MR. KRUSHCHEV...

the next facing Krushchev across a table in the Kremlin.

"Now look here," I tell him. "My name, by the way, is Morley, but that's not important...."

"I represent the common-sense point of view, the British point of view. What we feel you should do now, old man, is to relax. Teach your people the Everything-Stops-For-Tea routine. You

ROBERT MORLEY wonders whether to join Jacqueline Mackenzie and Ludovic Kennedy in the ranks of the new-style politicians

## Why shouldn't I jump on the bandwagon?

don't have to catch up with the Americans... why not slow down a bit and wait for us or even the French?"

I must say Krushchev usually agrees with me. I find him on the whole a perfectly reasonable sort of bloke.

When we've finished our little chat I call in on Eisenhower on the way back. The President is waiting for me in the club house.

"My name is Morley," I begin, but he interrupts.

"Good heavens, you don't have to tell me... saw you in Around the World... best thing in it. Tell me, do you prefer acting for the screen or the stage?" I have to bring him back to business. "Tell me," I ask him, "do you mean to do a deal with Krushchev? Because if so I've come to wrap it up for you."

I can't, of course, reveal at this stage the details of the ingenious scheme I have worked out. It is still top secret and likely to remain so for some time.

But the formula is my own... the common-sense approach, allied of course to the personal touch. It never fails—at least, not in my bath tub.

When I am Prime Minister I realize I shan't be able to stay in my bath all the time. Indeed I am sure I shan't need to. For, although only an amateur, I have been a practising politician now for over five years. Practising perhaps is not quite the word. I have been ready to practise, but there hasn't been anybody to practise on.

### No good thing

WHEN in 1953 I got a letter from the local branch of the Labour Party asking me to become their president I thought about it for a very long time before I accepted.

I am, it is true, a Labour man in so far as I support any poli-

tical party, but an actor is wise never to declare his allegiance.

It isn't a good thing for him to believe too strongly in anything—not even the National Theatre.

More members of my profession have destroyed themselves on the soap box than on the bottle. A drunken actor sometimes manages to give a good performance but an actor who is politically awakened invariably sends his audience to sleep.

It's the same with play-writing. You write for the political week-ends their stalls trade practically disappears.

However, I can never resist being a president so, although aware of the danger, I finally wrote back and accepted. Since when I've never heard another word.

I sometimes wonder if I imagined the whole thing. Whether perhaps the invitation was intended for someone else or whether they never received my letter of acceptance.

Perhaps someone was playing a trick on me. Whatever the reason, no one can pretend I have had a busy term of office. You would have thought that once in five years I might have been called on to present the prizes for the spot walk, or even to bring a small party along to a whist drive.

### I refuse

ON the other hand I am always being asked to open Conservative fetes and loyally refuse to do so. Of course there are a good many more Conservatives than Labour supporters in my neck of the woods.

I don't suppose we've ever had a Labour member of Parliament in this constituency, which is what is known as a safe seat for the Tories.

Personally, I think it would even up things a bit in these so-called safe divisions: they gave the other side a look in, say, once every five times.

In other words, five consecutive wins for any party automatically disqualified them for standing on the sixth occasion. Alternatively there might be a handicap system as on the racecourse.

However, these and other political reforms will have to wait until I have time to attend to them. What we are supposed to be discussing in this column is whether we ought to go on taking politicians seriously, and try to believe they are human beings.

Or whether we should take human beings like Ludovic Kennedy and Jacqueline Mackenzie, and (yes, why not?) even myself, seriously, and try to believe they are politicians. But then does one really want to be a politician? It isn't, after all, a very stimulating life compared with the theatre.

The only times I have ever been to the House of Commons I have come away feeling rather depressed.

### Old meat

THE food is wholesome enough but looks as if it has travelled a very long way to meet you.

The same can often be said of your M.P. Most of them appear to have stepped from a sleeper rather than a bandbox.

Conversation at the table is apt to be one-sided, your host doing most of the talking.

He will want to describe to you a number of extraordinarily dull ceremonies performed in the House, and unless you are very careful, expect you to witness some of them for yourself after luncheon.

These have to do with Black Rods, White Rods, chaplains, Mr Speaker Sir, and the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The greatest danger of all is that your M.P. has asked you to lunch on a day when he

plans to address the House himself, and is expecting you to stay and listen to him. He has perhaps even managed to get you a ticket in the Distinguished Strangers' Gallery.

You must, of course, refuse, but in doing so attempt the almost impossible task of appearing to regret your decision.

The party I remember most vividly at the House of Commons was one which was given just after the war to inaugurate yet another National Theatre campaign.

### Whale meat

WE ate whale-meat and nearly everyone made a speech. After a time our host realised that we were preaching to the converted and insisted on our standing round in the lobby while he introduced us to scores of his fellow members hurrying to catch their trains.

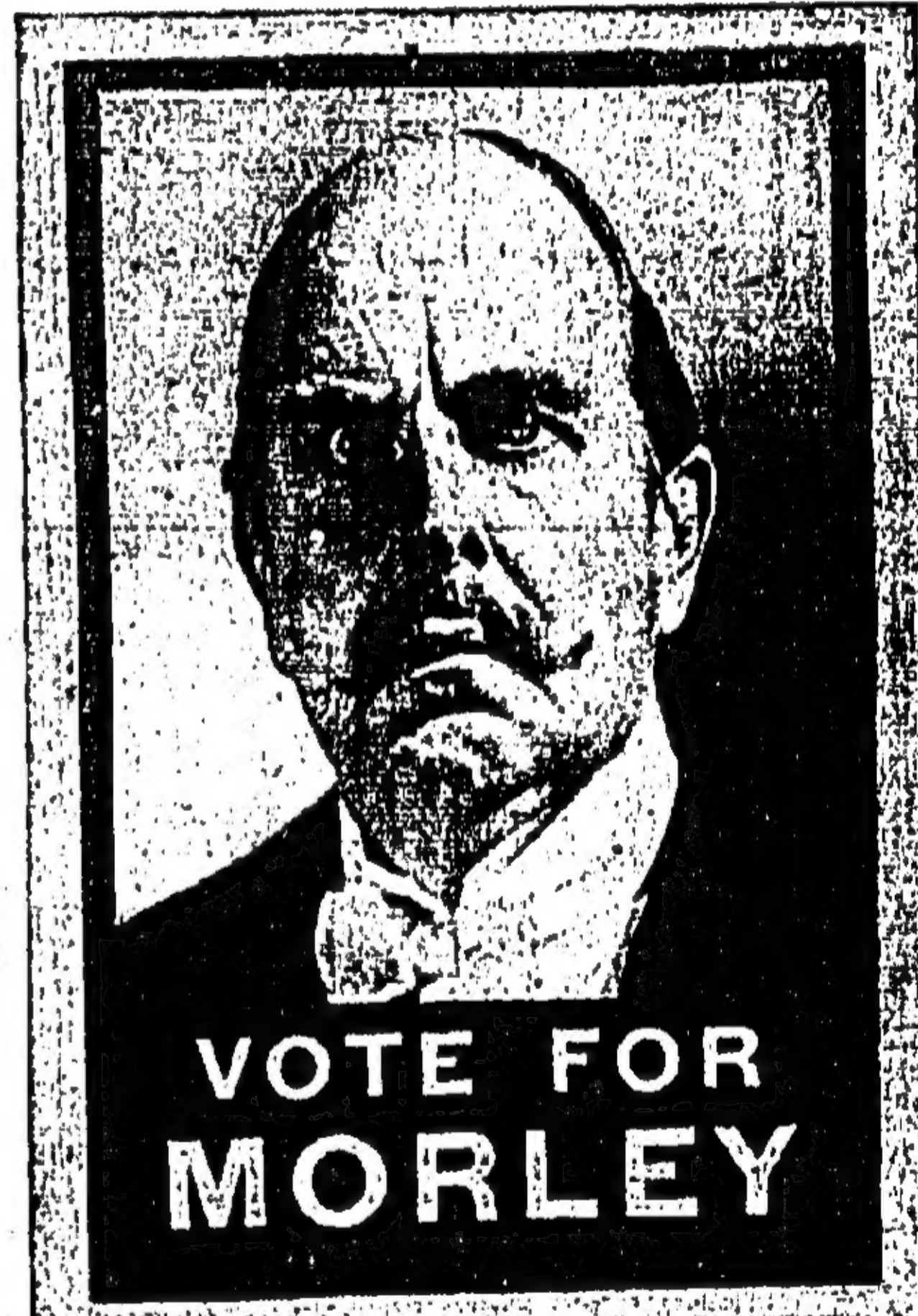
Most of them seemed under the impression that we already had a National Theatre, and were loud in praise of the splendid work we were doing.

Surprisingly few seemed to resent our presence, and I imagine only one or two actually missed their trains on our account.

When it was all over, we were dismissed in a graceful little speech. We had, we were told, had a profound effect upon the legislature... the National Theatre was a certain runner at last.

Alas, we are still waiting for it to start, let alone finish. But the luncheon was not entirely without result as far as my wife and I were concerned. What with the whale-meat and the excitement and the standing around, our daughter arrived a trifle unexpectedly a few hours later.

She has always been perfectly certain that she wants to be an actress. Politics, I fancy, are not for her. I suppose, really, they are not for me either.



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## This Funny World



"Next?"

BY THE WAY  
by Beachcomber

AN Indian bell-ringer in the little town of Waverley has climbed his rope and disappeared. A search in the bellry has revealed no trace of him.

Said Mrs. Lappeter, champion woman bell-ringer of the Midlands Counties, "We think that he will turn up again as even the Indian rope-trick does not guarantee complete disappearance for ever." The vanished bell-ringer's little son has been seen in a basket to uncoil itself to the strains of his flute, and rear itself up like a miniature sea-serpent. "Nocturnal for the snakes of Secunderabad," commented a railway porter.

## Diary for 1959

January 30: It was revealed last night, in a dynamic speech, that the Government will answer Mr. Bulganin's letter of July 3, 1957, as soon as it has been considered in the light of all the potential contingencies.

February 3: Labour Manifesto published. When in office the Socialists will encourage production, co-operation, and co-ordination.

## Narkover news

A SUPPLY of medicines for the cupboard of the matriarch of the various houses at Narkover has arrived from a West End wine merchant. The matriarch and the school doctor agree that the boys need a stimulant in the cold weather—ordinary table wines for the smaller boys, and the more expensive red and white wines for the prefects. The story goes that a precocious new boy refused the ordinary wine, and went on a drink strike. He said: "That rotgut is for those who are ill. I'm perfectly well, and need better wine." "Before such irretrievable logic," commented Dr. Smart-Alick, "school rules appear absurd. Unless we give

the little rascal what he wants, he is in danger of becoming a teetotaler."

## The call of duty

THE appalling sacrifices which are exacted from film stars, in the interests of publicity, were never better exemplified than in the case of the little roebuck who was told that she must be photographed, kissing her husband (of all people!). She said angrily: "But I don't like him!"

## Printer's frolic

He has been in London ordering a suite of furniture for his country house.

(Gossip column.)

## TARGET

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## Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess.
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,  
My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

of the ..... Club.

(Signed) .....

## Kurt Nielsen Unexpectedly Beaten

Cannes, Mar. 20. Denmark's Kurt Nielsen was today the second favourite unexpectedly ousted from the "Gallie" tennis tournament at Cannes in the opening round, after yesterday's first round departure of Swedish ace Sven Davidson.

Today, Britain's Billy Knight, defeated Nielsen in a third round match by 6-1, 7-5. However, British Number One, Mike Davies, was also eliminated today, beaten in another third round encounter by Italy's Maggi, who won 6-4, 6-2.

Another favourite to be eliminated today was France's Jean-Noel Grinda, who lost to Glencos of Spain 6-4, 6-3. —France-Press.

## Yankees Sell A Veteran First Baseman

St Petersburg, Mar. 20. The New York Yankees sold Joe Collins, a veteran first baseman, to the Philadelphia Phillies today and Collins promptly announced that he would retire from baseball.

If Collins does retire, the Yankees would have to return the Phils the sale price, believed to be somewhat over the \$20,000 waiver price.

Collins learned of the deal while dressing for today's exhibition game between the Yankees and Phillies. He said he would talk it over first with General Manager Roy Hamey of the Phils but then announced definitely that he was quitting. —United Press.

# BIGGEST UPSET AT WEMBLEY

## Eddy Choong Beaten In Singles Quarter-Finals

London, Mar. 20.

Eddie Choong (Malaya) recognised as the world's leading badminton player, came tumbling from his throne in the All-England Championships at Wembley today. Choong, holder of the Men's Singles and four times winner in the past five years of a title that is emblematic of the world individual championship, was defeated in the quarter-finals 1-15, 15-2, 15-8 by Denmark's Erlend Kops in one of the biggest upsets since the war.



EDDY CHOONG

## ASIAN GAMES TABLE TENNIS

Saigon, Mar. 21. Li Van Tiet, South Vietnam's National Table Tennis Champion, and three other Vietnamese players will enter the table tennis competition at the Asian Games in Tokyo. Playing with Tiet will be Tran Van Duc, Tran Van Lieu and Nguyen Kim Hang, who were selected by local playoff matches. Mai Van Hoa, who won the 1950 Asian title in Manila, was eliminated in the last round of the Vietnamese selection matches. —United Press.

## Two Top Heavyweight Contenders Willing To Meet Pete Rademacher

San Francisco, Mar. 20. The two top heavyweight contenders for Champion Floyd Patterson's title are willing to meet ex-amateur Pete Rademacher — provided that enough money is forthcoming.

Sid Flaherty, manager of Number One heavyweight contender Eddie Machen, said yesterday his fighter would be "happy to meet Rademacher in any state" as long as there was a "substantial" guarantee involved.

Bill Swift, manager of Number Two contender Zora Folley, said he would not demand a guarantee but would demand that his fighter "get the bigger percentage."

Machen will meet Folley at the Cow Palace here on April 9.

"I don't believe Rademacher can be classed as a desirable opponent," Swift said. "When

a manager demands a big guarantee it means, in most cases, that the opponent is dangerous.

## Bigger Percentage

"The only demand I'd make is that we get the bigger percentage. It would be a good fight and interesting for a few rounds."

Flaherty, however, said "Machen feels he would have everything to lose and nothing to gain—other than the purse—if he fought Rademacher."

He added that he and his boxer stand ready to post a \$250,000 guarantee for a shot at Patterson's title and would expect Rademacher's supporters to do likewise.

## GRAND NATIONAL

London, Mar. 20. Grenade was officially scratched from the Grand National at 10.000 G.M.T. today. —Reuters.

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The semi-finals line-up will be Kops versus Dahlberg and Sonneville versus Finn Kobbero (Denmark). Kobbero beat Bertil Glans of Sweden 17-14, 15-9.

## A Final Effort

Choong, noticeably slowing down, made a final effort and pulled back to 8-9, but never gained another point as Kops, now in full cry, smashed his way to a deserved victory.

Choong said afterwards: "I couldn't find my length. Kops is a much improved player over last year and his form surprised me."

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## Beaten Before

Kops has once before beaten Choong, but it was in an unimportant exhibition match in Denmark shortly after last year's final.

Kops said after his match with Choong: "Eddie was not playing so well as in last year's final. But then I had a bad leg and had to defend all the time. Today I attacked all the way and it worked."

Now Miss Pattapongse has to meet the player who suggested that she should enter these championships, another American, Miss Margaret Varner, a former title holder.

Miss Varner played against Miss Pattapongse in Bangkok last month and was so impressed with her form that she suggested the trip to London.

Princess Galyani Vadhana, the sister of the King of Siam, sponsored her compatriot's visit and is acting as her chaperone here.

## The Results

Men's Singles—3rd Round  
B. Dahlberg (Sweden) beat A. D. Jordan (GB) 15-5, 15-2.  
Oon Chong-jin (Malaya) beat R. Mulvaney (GB) 15-8, 15-3.  
Oon Chong-tek (Malaya) beat B. K. Wong (Malaya) 15-8, 15-8.

F. A. Sonneville (Indonesia) beat B. Holst Christensen (Denmark) 15-8, 15-2.  
4th Round  
E. Kops (Denmark) beat Eddy Choong (Malaya) 15-1, 15-2, 15-8.  
Dahlberg (Sweden) beat Oon Chong-jin (Malaya) 15-8, 15-0.  
Sonneville (Indonesia) beat Oon Chong-tek (Malaya) 15-8, 15-0.

F. Kobbero (Denmark) beat B. Glans (Sweden) 17-14, 15-9.  
Women's Singles—3rd Round  
Miss Varner (USA) beat Mrs W. Winther (Denmark) 11-3, 11-4.

Miss P. Pattapongse (Thailand) beat Miss A. Radcliffe (USA) 11-8, 11-4.  
Miss H. W. Ward (England) beat Miss H. McG. Stewart (USA) 11-2, 11-1.  
Miss J. Devlin (USA) beat Mrs T. Holst Christensen (Denmark) 11-4, 11-4.

Women's Doubles—1st Round  
Miss J. Devlin and Miss S. Devlin (United States) beat Miss P. Pattapongse (Thailand) and Miss L. Rea (Ireland) 15-3, 15-4.

Men's Doubles—1st Round  
E. B. Choong and E. L. Choong (Malaya) beat R. J. Jackson and C. J. Bacon (England) 15-5, 15-7.

I. Arasandnam and H. S. Farmer (Malaya) beat C. Denton and J. H. Lawton-Smith (England) 15-8, 17-15.

H. Heath and B. K. Wong (Malaya) beat L. Ellwood and G. Ripley (England) 15-8, 15-1.  
Oon Chong-tek and Oon Chong-jin of Malaya beat C. A. Darnell and H. I. Palmer of England 15-3, 15-4.

F. Sonneville (Indonesia) and A. Rasmussen (Denmark) beat W. F. Havers and D. R. Johnson (England) 15-7, 15-7.

Second Round  
David Choong and Eddie Choong beat K. Carlisle and J. Fitzgerald (Ireland) 15-3, 15-5.  
A. D. Jordan and J. R. Best (England) beat Arasandnam and Farmer (Malaya) 15-5, 15-9.

Heath and Wong (Malaya) beat T. Flindley and E. J. Timperley (England) (seceded) 9-10, 15-8, 15-5.  
Oon Chong-tek and Oon Chong-jin beat J. C. McColl and F. J. Shaw (England) 17-14, 15-10.

F. Sonneville and A. Rasmussen beat R. Mulvaney and R. J. Southwell (England) 1-15, 15-4, 15-5. — Reuters and France-Press.

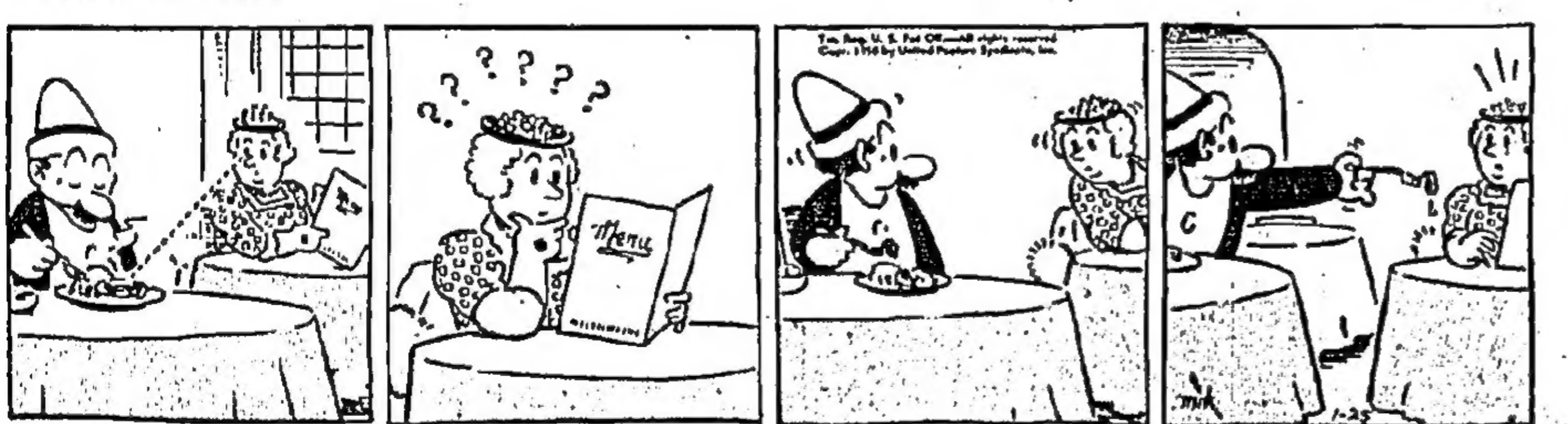
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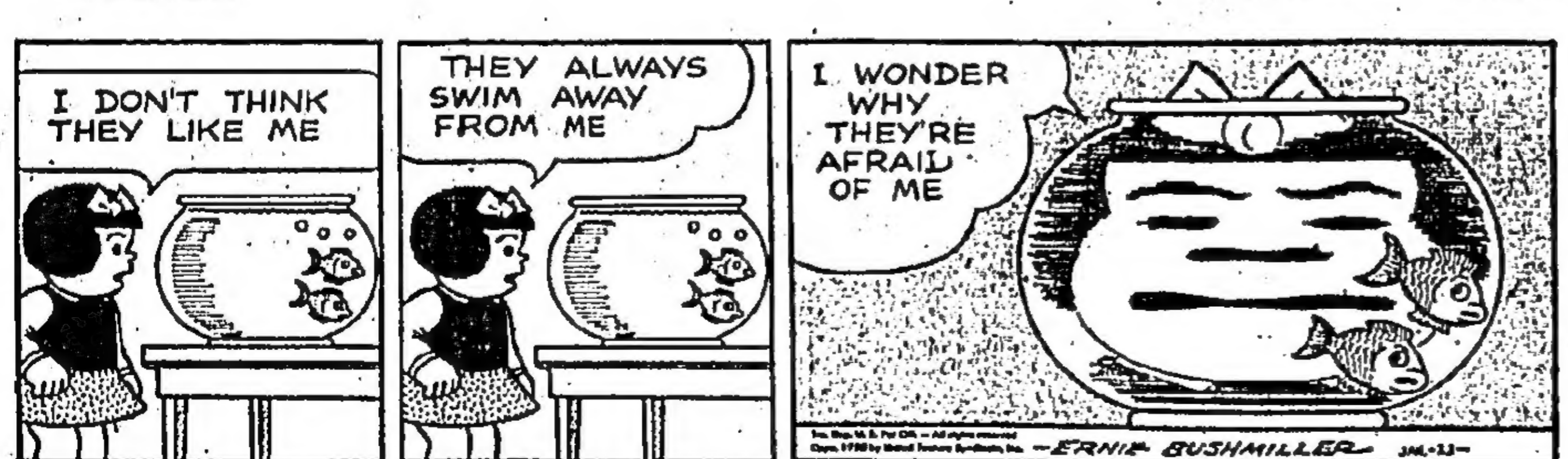
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## NO WEAKENING OF RED

### Hon. Colonel Of Regiment

Major E. G. Stewart, DSO, OBE, ED, has been appointed Honorary Colonel of the Hongkong Regiment, according to the Government Gazette today.

### Government Appointments Gazetted

The following appointments, posting, transfers and promotions in the various Government Departments were announced in today's Government Gazette:

**Education**  
Mr M. J. H. Orsler appointed as Education Officer on probation. Mr Orsler arrived on March 10.

Miss R. Elina Carlson to be a school mistress as from February 7. Miss Carlson arrived on March 10.

**Audit**  
Mr A. Thorne to be an auditor on probation. Mr Thorne arrived here on March 10.

**Public Health**  
Mr G. H. A. Morris, Chief Health Inspector, to be Assistant Superintendent of Sanitary Service as from August, 1957.

**Inland Revenue**  
Mr H. Finney, Assistant Assessor, ceased to act as Assessor as from January 18 while on leave.

**Medical**  
Mr D. H. Small, Dental Surgeon, to be Acting Specialist (Dental) as from March 24 during the absence of Mr W. C. Allwright.

**GAME WARDEN**  
Mr R. H. Hughes has been appointed honorary game warden for a period of three years as from March 18, according to the Government Gazette today.

## SOLIDARITY Political Situation In Far East Still Critical

Washington, Mar. 20.  
The Assistant Secretary of State, Walter Robertson, warned Congress today that there had been no apparent weakening of the Moscow-Peking solidarity and the political situation in the Far East remained critical.

"Subversive efforts are continuing in all free Asian countries," he said. "A softening process is being applied on the political, economic and social front in anticipation of the day when large, sudden gains may be possible by military, revolutionary or other means."

Mr Robertson, in charge of Far Eastern affairs for the State Department, testified in recent closed hearings of the Foreign Affairs Committee and his testimony was made public today.

The Communists remain strong in North Korea, he told the Committee, and in Vietnam where they have a puppet army in the north of from 350,000 to 400,000 men.

### Chinese Army

"On the Chinese mainland the Communists have an army of some 3,000,000 men and hundreds of modern airplanes. They are steadily building up their military capabilities across the strait from Taiwan, where they have prepared jet airfields, railroads, and troop dispositions."

For more than two years, he added, the Chinese authorities have refused to renounce their intentions to take Taiwan by force of arms if need be.

Mr Robertson listed these highlights of the situation in Asia in urging the committee to approve the full request for foreign economic, military and technical aid for the coming year.

He said he felt it would be disastrous for Congress to cut the totals as it did last year.

### Conspiracy Case Adjourned

Hearing of the case in which three men, charged with conspiracy, was adjourned to Monday by Mr Hin-shing Lo, at Central Magistracy this morning.

Defendants are Poon Yam-kwai alias Poon Pat, 27, broker; Wong Ping-kuen, 25, clerk; and Norman Mohammed, 38, police constable 3377.

They were alleged on July 12 last year, to have conspired together to unlawfully alter a driving licence No. 10,356 and other documents and in order that the driving licence could be used by another man.

No pleas were taken.

**Urban Council Appointments**  
Messrs Kan Yuet-keung, JP, Kwan Che-yiu, JP, and A. de O. Sales were re-appointed Members of the Urban Council for a period of four years with effect from April 1, according to the Government Gazette published today.

The Gazette also announced the appointment of Mr K. A. Watson as Member of the Urban Council for the same period beginning April 1.

### Excellent Shakespeare Performance

By JOHN LUFF

"As You Like It", by William Shakespeare, opened last night at the Lido New Hall. Produced by Alec M. Hardie. Sets and costumes by Douglas Blundell. Orchestration by Douglas Blundell. Music by Douglas Blundell. Cast: Oliver, Lucas Chan; Dennis, Yeung Tsai Hing; Gail, Cecilia James; Rosalind, Anne Choy; Touchstone, George Fung; Le Beau, Solomon Chiu; Charles, Stephen Choy; Duke Frederick, Benjamin Shih; Duke Senior, Solomon Chiu; Amiens, Bernard Wong; First Lord, Peter Ng; Corin, Frank Wong; Silvius, Stephen Lo; Jacques, Herman Green; Audrey, Winnie Wong; Sir Oliver Martext, Choy Kham; Phebe, Janet Ko; William, Lee Chi Pak; Hymen, Teresa Fung; Jacques de Boys, John Lam; joining the Maquers of the University of Hongkong.

Last night's performance of "As You Like It", confirms us in the opinion that Alec Hardie is not only a considerable Shakespearean in the academic sense, but a Shakespearean in the theatre also.

Criticism and analysis is the stuff of the classroom, but such lucid and brilliant interpretation is of the theatre, and the English theatre at that.

The question might be asked, why does Hardie succeed again and again, and the answer is, because he understands not only the text, but the very mood and mind of Shakespeare. But most important, he does not fall into the error, often made by the professional producer, of trying to build his play around one or two strong players, and allowing them to be brilliant interpreters of the text.

By this method, the performance of "As You Like It" is a complete in itself, original, sparkling, even audacious in its verities.

An example of what I mean. In casting Orlando against Edmund Blunden, Hardie did not try to synthesize the traditions both would naturally adopt, in order to obtain what a less discerning producer would call a harmonious unity. Instead, he had Blunden, as the English servant, as English as an English meadow, and the young man of the house, Orlando, interpreting his part with the emotion that is his in a language that is not his.

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The astonishing Miss Choy goes from strength to achievement, and her rendering of the epilogue had that blend of artful coyness and winsome declaration that must have thrilled even those who haunted the Old Vic when a bid was made to restore real Shakespeare. Cecilia was a new interpretation to me, less sympathetic and less intense than as I see it, but delightfully fresh to her demand rather than bleed the cause of friendship.

Jacques came to us that universal figure of the universal commentator on the follies of men; I should myself like to say that the crowd alone, the evening, such language belonging to lesser theatre; he did more than that. He proved that the moods of man create the universal folly of man.

Then Phebe. How often have I asked a class to see her as the country girl who has adopted the pseudo refinements of town. Yet here was a girl so graceful in gesture such as no Phebe was, yet with a grace wedded to accent which sent me away wondering at the genius of Shakespeare to hold a mirror up to life.

The set was startlingly original, and I have seen this play performed against every conceivable background, yet the astonishing depth produced especially in the darker scenes was truly effective.

### MUSIC

Music was performed by a combination under S.M. Bard who also arranged the compositions.

So there you have it, "As You Like It", a performance where the producer proves his point, that genius is not of national trait, and our Shakespeare who never heard of Hongkong, belongs here just the same.

### SIDE GLANCES By Calbraith



"I forget which barrel I put it in, but I need a skillet before you touch anything else in the van!"

## Tramway Company Annual Meeting

Hongkong Tramways, Ltd held their annual meeting today, when shareholders approved payment of a final dividend of \$1.30 per share in addition to the interim dividend of 60 cents per share paid in September last year.

The company made a record profit of \$6,331,978 for 1957. After appropriations, it was proposed to carry forward \$31,594.

The Chairman, Mr H. D. M. Barton, proposed the adoption of the directors' report and statement of accounts.

Mr B. Wong Tape seconded. The proposal was carried unanimously.

Re-elected Directors were the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and Mr H.D. Benham (proposed by Mr Lam King-tak and seconded by Mr Fok Yen-sing).

Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews re-appointed auditors at an increased fee of \$10,000 for the ensuing year (proposed by Mr Kokson J. Woo and seconded by Mr R.B. Anderson).

**Present**  
Present at the meeting were: Mr H. D. M. Barton (Chairman), the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Sir Man-kam Lo, Mr G. E. Marden, Mr B. T. Flanagan (Directors); Mr W. H. Patterson, Secretary, the following shareholders, Messrs B. Wong Tape, Fok Yen-sing, Lam King-tak (representing Chuen Tak Son Co., Ltd), Mr Kokson J. Woo, Mr Tsang Hung-tim, Mr Roy B. Anderson and Mr S. S. Gordon (representing the auditors).

**Contractors' Register**  
The following contractors have been included in the contractors' register kept by the Building Authority, according to today's Government Gazette: Messrs Alliance Construction Co. of 604, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, Mongkok; Messrs Dao Kwai Kee, Building and General Contractor, of 36, Des Voeux Road, Central, second floor; and Ying Fat Construction Co. of 10, Gilman's Bazaar, first floor.

**Exemptions**  
The Government Gazette today announced that the following premises have been exempted from the further application of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, subject to the stated conditions: Nos. 41 and 43, Parkes Street, Nos. 201, 203, and 205, Reclamation Street, No. 6, Mosque Street.

**Struck Off**  
Today's Government Gazette notified that the name of Hung Shing and Co., (HK) Ltd has been struck off the company register as from March 21.

**New J. Ps**  
The following were appointed Justices of the Peace, according to today's Government Gazette: Dr the Hon. D. J. M. Mackenzie, Messrs A. G. Parker, B. J. Thompson, Tan Boon-chau, D. Akers-Jones, D. M. Sellers, H. R. Terrell and R. Tyler.

## PROFESSIONAL HOUSEBREAKER PLEADS GUILTY

The method of a "professional house-breaker", who ransacked houses of well-to-do people in various districts in the Colony, was described by Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, before Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

In Court was a well-dressed 32-year-old man, Chan Man-lung, alias Chan Man-kwan, who pleaded guilty to five counts of housebreaking and one count of larceny in dwelling houses.

Together with Chan was a 25-year-old woman, Wong Mei, alias Wong Yee-mei, who denied the charges of housebreaking but pleaded guilty to five counts of receiving stolen property.

Mr Greenfield revealed that the first accused was convicted in February 8, 1951 of housebreaking and committing a felony for which he was sentenced to eight months and recommended for banishment. In April last month, he was again convicted on a charge of housebreaking with intent and was sentenced to six months, and given an additional two months for breach of a deportation order. The deportation order was being rescinded, Crown Counsel said.

**Convicted**  
The second accused was convicted in April last year of receiving stolen property and unlawfully pawing for which she was given two months.

The first accused, Mr Greenfield said, was a "professional housebreaker", and carried out his activities "regularly, consistently and systematically on a large scale, of years both here and Macao."

His method of operation was the same in every case, Mr Greenfield continued. He would choose the houses of well-to-do families, where there was something well worth going out for a walk in those districts in the afternoon, respectfully dressed so that he would not attract any undue attention. He would take with him a "smartly dressed Chinese girl" and they would look like a couple going for an afternoon stroll.

Arriving at a place where he had set his mind to carry out his professional activities, the first accused would leave his girl in the street, and go upstairs to the flat, ring the door bell to see if there was anyone in. "If there is, I have no doubt he has got an explanation," Mr Greenfield commented, "but if there isn't, he would push the door in."

**Home Guard Commander**  
Captain R. Lee of the Home Guard, Royal Hongkong Defence Force, has been promoted Acting Major as from March 7 and nominated Officer Commanding, Home Guard, during the absence of Major R. S. Capell, according to the Government Gazette today.

The Gazette also notified that Captain J. W. Kirk of the Hongkong Regiment has been permitted to resign his commission in the RHKDF as from February 28.

**Labour Board**  
Mr C.S. Johnston was appointed Member of the Labour Advisory Board, with effect from March 18, during the absence of Mr Lawrence Kadoorie, according to the Government Gazette today.

**Resettlement**  
Mr Liu Kui-hoi has been appointed an authorised inspector under the Emergency (Resettlement Areas) General Rules, it was notified in the Government Gazette today.

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